

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/663,329
Applicant : Ronni S. Sterns, et al.
Filed : 9/18/2000
Confirmation No. : 3765
Title : PHONETIC TRANSLITERATION CARD DISPLAY
TC/Art Unit : 3712
Examiner : Kurt Fernstrom
Docket No. : CRT/11842

Letter

#12

9/10/03

B. Ross

**LETTER TO REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT
REFERENCES HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED**

Commissioner for Patents
P O. Box 1450.
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

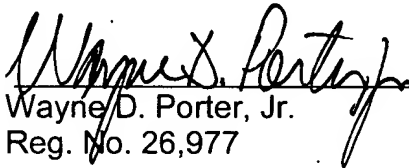
RECEIVED
SEP 03 2003
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

During the course of reviewing the file of the above-referenced application, it was noted that an Information Disclosure Statement, with accompanying references, was mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office on December 12, 2000. The file contains an indirect indication that the Examiner received and considered the Information Disclosure Statement and the accompanying copies of the cited references due to the Examiner's citation of certain references pursuant to MPEP 707.05 (a). Nevertheless, there is no express acknowledgment by the Examiner that the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement in fact were received and considered.

Applicants hereby request that the Examiner or the Board acknowledge receipt and consideration of the references cited in the above-referenced Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement in question, together with a Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/21) that accompanied the Information Disclosure Statement, are enclosed herewith.

If the Examiner or the Board has any questions concerning this matter, please telephone the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

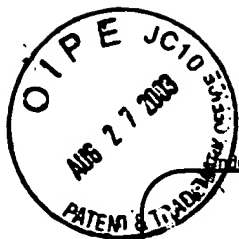
Respectfully submitted,


Wayne D. Porter, Jr.
Reg. No. 26,977

Rankin, Hill, Porter & Clark LLP
700 Huntington Building
925 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1405
Telephone (216) 566-9700
Facsimile (216) 566-9711
Customer No. 007609

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

Lorie L. McCormick
Printed Name of Person Mailing Paper
8/20/03 Lorie L. McCormick
Date Signature of Person Mailing Paper



3712

PTO/SB/21 (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	09/663,329	
	Filing Date	9/18/2000	
	First Named Inventor	Ronni S. Sterns	
	Art Unit	3712	
	Examiner Name	Kurt Fernstrom	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	7	Attorney Docket Number	CRT-11842

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<div>Remarks</div> <p>Letter to Request Acknowledgment that References Have Been Considered</p> <p>RECEIVED SEP 03 2003</p>		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Rankin, Hill, Porter & Clark LLP
Signature	<i>Warren S. Porter</i>
Date	August 20, 2003

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.	
Typed or printed name	Lorie L. McCormick
Signature	<i>Lorie L. McCormick</i>
Date	8/20/03

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.